

## State Environmental Quality Review FULL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM

**Purpose:** The full EAF is designed to help applicants and agencies determine, in an orderly manner, whether a project or action may be significant. The question of whether an action may be significant is not always easy to answer. Frequently, there are aspects of a project that are subjective or unmeasurable. It is also understood that those who determine significance may have little or no formal knowledge of the environment or may be technically expert in environmental analysis. In addition, many who have knowledge in one particular area may not be aware of the broader concerns affecting the question of significance.

The full EAF is intended to provide a method whereby applicants and agencies can be assured that the determination process has been orderly, comprehensive in nature, yet flexible to allow introduction of information to fit a project or action.

**Full EAF components:** The full EAF is comprised of three parts:

- Part 1:** Provides objective data and information about a given project and its site. By identifying basic project data, it assists a reviewer in the analysis that takes place in Parts 2 and 3.
- Part 2:** Focuses on identifying the range of possible impacts that may occur from a project or action. It provides guidance as to whether an impact is likely to be considered small to moderate or whether it is a potentially large impact. The form also identifies whether an impact can be mitigated or reduced.
- Part 3:** If any impact in Part 2 is identified as potentially large, then Part 3 is used to evaluate whether or not the impact is actually important.

### Determination of Significance – Type 1 and Unlisted Actions

**Identify the Portions of EAF completed for this Project:**    ☒ Part 1    ☐ Part 2    ☐ Part 3

Upon review of the information recorded on this EAF (Parts 1 and 2 and 3 if appropriate), and any other supporting information, and considering both the magnitude and importance of each impact, it is reasonably determined by the Lead Agency that

- ☐ A. The project will not result in any large and important impacts and therefore, is one which **will not** have a Significant impact on the environment, therefore, **a negative declaration will be prepared.**
- ☐ B. Although the project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect for this Unlisted Action because the mitigation measures described in Part 3 have been required, therefore **a CONDITIONED Negative Declaration will be prepared.\***
- ☐ C. The project may result in one or more large and important impacts that may have a significant impact on the environment, therefore **a Positive Declaration will be prepared.**

\* A Conditioned Negative Declaration is only valid for Unlisted Actions

### Town of New Windsor Zoning Amendments to Implement Comprehensive Plan

Name of Action	
<b>Town of New Windsor Town Board</b>	
Name of Lead Agency	Supervisor
Hon. George Green	
Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from responsible officer)
Date	

## PART 1 – PROJECT INFORMATION

Prepared by Project Sponsor

NOTICE: This document is designed to assist in determining whether the action proposed may have a significant effect on the environment. Please complete the entire form, Parts A through E. Answers to these questions will be considered as part of the application for approval and may be subject to further verification and public review. Provide any additional information you believe will be needed to complete Parts 2 and 3.

It is expected that completion of the full EAF will be dependent on information currently available and will not involve new studies, research or investigation. If information requiring such additional work is unavailable, so indicate and specify each instance.

NAME OF ACTION: <b>Town of New Windsor Zoning Law Amendments</b>		
LOCATION OF ACTION (INCLUDES STREET ADDRESS, MUNICIPALITY, AND COUNTY) <b>Town of New Windsor, New Windsor, New York, Orange County</b>		
NAME OF APPLICANT/SPONSOR <b>Town of New Windsor</b>		BUSINESS TELEPHONE <b>(845) 563-4610</b>
ADDRESS <b>555 Union Avenue</b>		
CITY/PO <b>New Windsor</b>	STATE <b>New York</b>	ZIP CODE <b>12553</b>
NAME OF OWNER (IF DIFFERENT)		BUSINESS TELEPHONE
ADDRESS		
CITY/PO	STATE	ZIP CODE
DESCRIPTION OF ACTION: <b>Adoption of Town of New Windsor Zoning Amendments to Implement Comprehensive Plan.</b>		

**Please Complete Each Question – Indicate N.A. if not applicable**

**A. Site Description**

Physical setting of overall project, both developed and undeveloped areas:

1. Present Land Use: ☒ Urban ☒ Industrial ☒ Commercial ☒ Residential (suburban) ☒ Rural (non-farm)  
☒ Forest ☒ Agricultural ☐ Other

2. Total acreage of project area: **23,500** acres. ☐ N/A

<b>APPROXIMATE ACREAGE</b>	<b>PRESENTLY</b>	<b>AFTER COMPLETION</b>
Meadow or Brushland (Non-agricultural)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Forested	_____ acres	_____ acres
Agricultural (includes orchards, cropland, pasture, etc.)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Wetland (Freshwater or tidal as per Articles 24, 25 of ECL)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Water Surface Area	_____ acres	_____ acres
Unvegated (Rock, Earth or fill)	_____ acres	_____ acres
Roads, buildings and other paved surfaces	_____ acres	_____ acres
Other (indicate type)_____	_____ acres	_____ acres

3. What is predominant soil type(s) on project site? **Mardin-Erie**

- a. Soil drainage: ☒ Well drained **18** % of site ☒ Moderately well drained **50** % of site  
☒ Poorly drained **32** % of site

- b. If any agricultural land is involved, how many acres of soil are classified within soil group 1 through 4 of the NYS Land Classification System? (See 1 NYCRR 370) **N.A.** acres.

4. Are there bedrock outcroppings on project site? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

- a. What is depth to bedrock? (in feet) **Varies widely throughout the Town.**

5. Approximate percentage of proposed project site with slopes:

☒ 0-10%      % ☐ 10-15%      % ☐ 15% or greater      % ☐ N/A

6. Is project substantially contiguous to, or contain a building, site, or district, listed on the State or the National Registers of Historic Places? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

7. Is project substantially contiguous to a site listed on the Register of National Natural Landmarks?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

8. What is the depth of the water table? (in feet) **Varies widely throughout the Town.** ☐ N/A

9. Is the site located over a primary, principal, or sole source aquifer? ☒ Yes - partially ☐ No ☐ N/A

10. Do hunting, fishing, or shell fishing opportunities presently exist in the project area? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

11. Does project site contain any species of plant or animal life that is identified as threatened or endangered?

☐ N/A ☒ Yes ☐ No

According to: **New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.**

Identify each species: **Refer to Comprehensive Plan.**

12. Are there any unique or unusual land forms on the project site (i.e., cliffs, dunes, other geological formations)?

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Is the project site presently used by the community or neighborhood as an open space or recreation area?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

If yes, explain:

**Many open space & recreational areas throughout the Town - Refer to Comprehensive Plan.**

14. Does the project site include scenic views known to be important to the community? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

15. Streams within or contiguous to project area:

**Moodna Creek and other minor streams.**

a: Name of Stream and name of River to which it is tributary:

**Hudson River.**

16. Lakes, ponds, wetland areas within or contiguous to project area:

a: Name:

**Many waterbodies throughout the Town - the largest include Washington Lake, the Silver Stream Reservoir, Beaverdam Lake, and Crest View Lake.**

b: Size (in acres):

**Unknown.**

17. Is the site served by existing public utilities? ☒ Yes ☐ No Portions of the Town are served by public water & sewer.

a. If **YES**, does sufficient capacity exist to allow connection? ☐ Yes ☒ No

b. If **YES**, will improvements be necessary to allow connection? ☐ Yes ☐ No

18. Is the site located in an agricultural district certified pursuant to Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 25-AA, Section 303 and 304? ☒ Yes ☐ No A portion of the Town is located in Agricultural District #1.

19. Is the site located in or substantially contiguous to a Critical Environmental Area designated pursuant to Article 8 of the ECL, and 6 NYCRR 617? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

20. Has the site ever been used for the disposal of solid or hazardous waste? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

## B. Project Description

1. Physical dimensions and scale of project (fill in dimensions as appropriate or check ☐ N/A)

a) Total contiguous acreage owned or controlled by project sponsor: 23,500 acres

b) Project acreage to be developed: N.A. acres initially; N.A. acres ultimately

c) Project acreage to remain undeveloped: N.A. acres

d) Length of project, in miles: N.A. (if appropriate)

e) If the project is an expansion, indicate percent of expansion proposed: N.A. %

f) Number of off-street parking spaces existing: N.A. proposed: N.A.

g) Maximum vehicular trips generated per hour N.A. (upon completion of project)

h) If residential: Number and type of housing units:

	One Family	Two Family	Multiple Family	Condominium
Initially	<u>N.A.</u>	<u>N.A.</u>	<u>N.A.</u>	<u>N.A.</u>
Ultimately:	<u>N.A.</u>	<u>N.A.</u>	<u>N.A.</u>	<u>N.A.</u>

i) Dimensions (in feet) of largest proposed structure N.A. height; N.A. width; N.A. length.

j) Linear feet of frontage along a public thoroughfare project will occupy is? N.A. ft.

2. How much natural material (i.e, rock, earth, etc) will be removed from the site? ☒ N/A \_\_\_\_\_ Tons/cu.yds

3. Will disturbed areas be reclaimed? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

a) If yes, for what intended purpose is the site being reclaimed? \_\_\_\_\_

b) Will topsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

c) Will upper subsoil be stockpiled for reclamation? ☐ Yes ☐ No

4. How many acres of vegetation (trees, shrubs, ground covers) will be removed from site? ☒ N/A \_\_\_\_\_ Acres

5. Will any mature forest (over 100 years old) or other locally important vegetation be removed by this project?

☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

6. If single phase project: Anticipated period of construction \_\_\_\_\_ months (including demolition)    ☒ N/A

7. If multi-phased: **N.A.**

- a) Total number of phases anticipated \_\_\_\_\_ (number)
- b) Anticipated date of commencement phase 1 \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ year (including demolition)
- c) Approximate completion date of final phase \_\_\_\_\_ month \_\_\_\_\_ year.
- d) Is phase 1 functionally dependent on subsequent phases? ☐ Yes    ☐ No

8. Will blasting occur during construction?    ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

9. Number of jobs generated during construction \_\_\_\_\_; after project is complete **N.A.**\_\_\_\_\_.

10. Number of jobs eliminated by this project: \_\_\_\_\_    ☒ N/A

11. Will project require relocation of any projects or facilities?    ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Is surface liquid waste disposal involved? ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

a. If yes, indicate type of waste (sewage, industrial, etc.) and amount \_\_\_\_\_

b. Name of water body into which effluent will be discharged \_\_\_\_\_

13. Is subsurface liquid waste disposal involved? ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

14. Will surface area of an existing water body increase or decrease by proposal?    ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

15. Is project or any portion of project located in a 100 year flood plain?    ☒ Yes    ☐ No    ☐ N/A

16. Will the project generate solid waste?    ☐ Yes    ☐ No    ☒ N/A

a) If yes, what is the amount per month? \_\_\_\_\_ Tons

b) If yes, will an existing solid waste facility be used? ☐ Yes    ☐ No

c) If yes, give name \_\_\_\_\_ location \_\_\_\_\_

d) Will any wastes not go into a sewage disposal system or into a sanitary landfill? ☐ Yes    ☐ No

e) If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

17. Will the project involve the disposal of solid waste? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

18. Will project use herbicides or pesticides? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

19. Will project routinely produce odors (more than one hour per day)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

20. Will project produce operating noise exceeding the local ambient noise levels? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

21. Will project result in an increase in energy use? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

If yes, indicate type(s): \_\_\_\_\_

22. If water supply is from wells, indicate pumping capacity N.A. gallons per minute.

23. Total anticipated water usage per day N.A. gallons per day.

24. Does project involve Local, State, or Federal funding: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ N/A

If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

## 25. Approvals Required:

		Type	Submittal Date
<input type="checkbox"/> City, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town, <input type="checkbox"/> Village Board	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<u><b>Adoption of Zoning Amendments</b></u>	<u><b>8 / 11</b></u>
		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> City; <input type="checkbox"/> Town; <input type="checkbox"/> Village Planning Board	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	_____	_____
		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> City; <input type="checkbox"/> Town Zoning Board of Appeals	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	_____	_____
		_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> City; <input type="checkbox"/> County Health Department	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	_____	_____
		_____	_____
Other Local Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	_____	_____
		_____	_____
Other Regional Agencies	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<u><b>Orange County Planning Dept. 239 GML Review</b></u>	_____
		_____	_____
State Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	_____	_____
		_____	_____
Federal Agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	_____	_____
		_____	_____

## C. Zoning and Planning Information

1. Does proposed action involve a planning or zoning decision? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, indicate decision required:

☒ Zoning amendment ☐ Zoning variance ☐ Special use permit ☐ Subdivision ☐ Site plan  
☐ New/revision of master plan ☐ Resource management plan ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_



2. What is the zoning classification(s) of the site?

**Multiple Zones.**

3. What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the present zoning?

**Approximately 3,350 residential dwelling units. Refer to Comprehensive Plan for supporting data.**  
**Commercial/Industrial development potential not calculated, but similar to buildout under existing zoning.**

4. What is the proposed zoning of the site?

**Minor Modifications and Adjustments to Zoning Districts.**

5. What is the maximum potential development of the site if developed as permitted by the proposed zoning?

**Approximately the same as present.**

6. Is the proposed action consistent with the recommended uses in adopted local land use plans? ☒ Yes ☐ No

7. What are the predominant land use(s) and zoning classifications within a ¼ mile radius of the proposed action?

**Mixed.**

8. Is the proposed action compatible with adjoining/surrounding land uses within a ¼ mile? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

9. If the proposed action is the subdivision of land, how many lots are proposed? **N.A.**

10. Will proposed action require any authorization(s) for the formation of sewer or water districts? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

11. Will the proposed action create a demand for any community provided services (recreation, education, police, fire protection)? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ N/A

12. Will proposed action result in the generation of traffic significantly above present levels? ☐ Yes ☒ No

a. If yes, is the existing road network adequate to handle the additional traffic? ☐ Yes ☐ No

#### **D. Informational Details**

Attach any additional information as may be needed to clarify your project. If there are or may be any adverse impacts associated with your proposal, please discuss such impacts and the measures which you propose to mitigate or avoid them.

**See Comprehensive Plan / Generic Environmental Impact Statement.**

#### **E. Verification**

I certify that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant/Sponsor Name: **Town of New Windsor / Hon. George Green**

Date: **September 4, 2012**

Signature:

Title: **Supervisor**

**If the action is in the Coastal Area, and you are a state agency, complete the Coastal Assessment Form before proceeding with this assessment.**